vii. to assist the State level organisations to deal with the development of backward classes by way of providing financial assistance and in obtaining commercial funding by way of refinancing;

viii. to work as an apex institution for coordination and monitoring the work of all Corporations/Boards set up by the State Government/UT Administrations for SC/ST, Backward Classes and Minorities in so far as it relates to the economic development of the backward classes.

ix. to help in furthering the Govt. policies and programmes for the development of the backward classes.

(c) The proposed Corporation shall assist the following target groups of backward classes;

(i) Persons belonging to Socially and Educationally Backward Classes (SEBCs) below the poverty line as defined by the Planning Commission from time to time, may be provided financial assistance on concessional rates.

(ii) Persons belonging to SEBCs who are above the poverty line but satisfy the income/economic criteria to be prescribed by the Govt. of India may be assisted for self-employment schemes and other financially and economically viable schemes.

[*English*]

Clearance to Koel-Karo Hydel Project in Bihar

1815. SHRI PIUS TIRKEY: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have cleared the Koel-Karo Hydel Project of Bihar;

(b) the details of the total areas and forests to be submerged therefrom;

(c) whether any alternative forest areas has been located for afforestation in lieu of the forests to be submerged; and

(d) the details of the land acquired for rehabilitation of the displaced families?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The total land area required to be submerged for the project is 19792 ha. out of which 657 ha. is forest land.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) No land has yet been acquired for rehabilitation of the displaced persons. However, 898 ha. of non-forest land has been earmarked for rehabilitation of the displaced families.

Introduction of Toy Train in Chandigarh

1816. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Chandigarh Administration announced recently a plan to introduce a toy train in the leisure valley;

(b) if so, the total amount of cost likely to be incurred thereon; and

(c) the reasons for according priority to this project over the maintenance of parks and roads in the city?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) The Administration has in-

formed that there is no proposal/Scheme to introduce toy train in the leisura valley.

(b) and (c). In view of (a) above, question does not arise.

[*Translation*]

World Bank Assistance for Suratgarh Mini Hydroelectric Project in Rajasthan

1817. SHRI SHIV SHARAN VERMA: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-COVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any assistance has been sought from World Bank for the implementation of the Suratgarh Mini Hydroelectric Project in Rajasthan; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the project is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b). No, Sir. The two generating units each of 2 MW rating of the Suratgarh Mini Hydel Project were rotated on 28.6.91. The commissioning of these units in envisaged in the current year when the canal closure becomes possible to enable the balance works required for commissioning to be completed.

12.00 hrs

(*Interruptions*)

[*English*]

MR.SPEAKER: Shrimati Verma.

(*Interruptions*)

SHRI C.K. KUPPUSWAMY: Sir, I would like to raise a very important matter.

MR. SPEAKER: I will hear one after another.

SHRI C.K. KUPPUSWAMY: Sir, you kindly allow me.

MR. SPEAKER: I will allow you after her.

(*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: Parliamentary Affairs Minister may tell his Party Members to behave properly in the House.

(*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: Please take your seats. I will allow you later on.

(*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to say that the Ministers and the whips may guide their Members to behave properly in the House.

(*Interruptions*)

[*Translation*]

SHRIMATI RITA VERMA (Dhanbad): Mr. Speaker, Sir, I want to raise the foilowing matter during the zero hour. I want to submit that on 16th November the district administration was participating in the Jharia Assembly by election on behalf of a particular party. The district administration openly indulged in booth capturing and other unfair practices including bogus voting. In fact the genuine voters did not turn up for polling as there was terror and panic in the entire area... (Interruptions) the attitude of the police was such that when I approached the Superintendent of Police for protection being a lady MP and gave a written note to this